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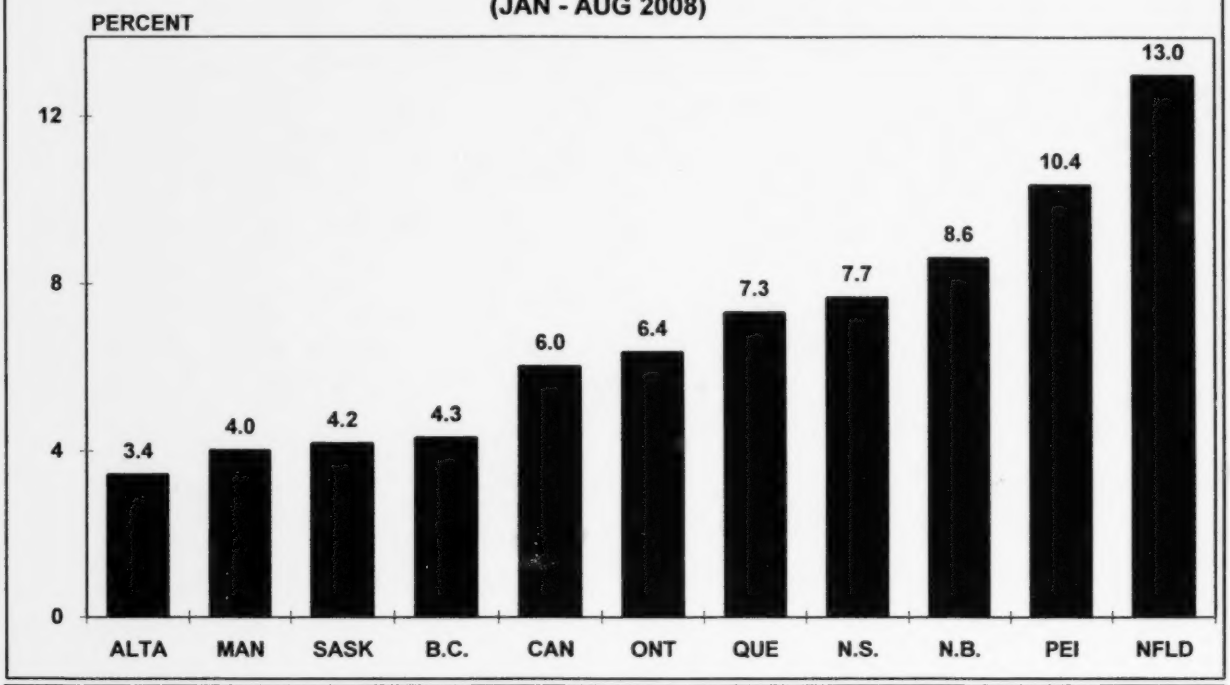
(JAN - AUG 2008)



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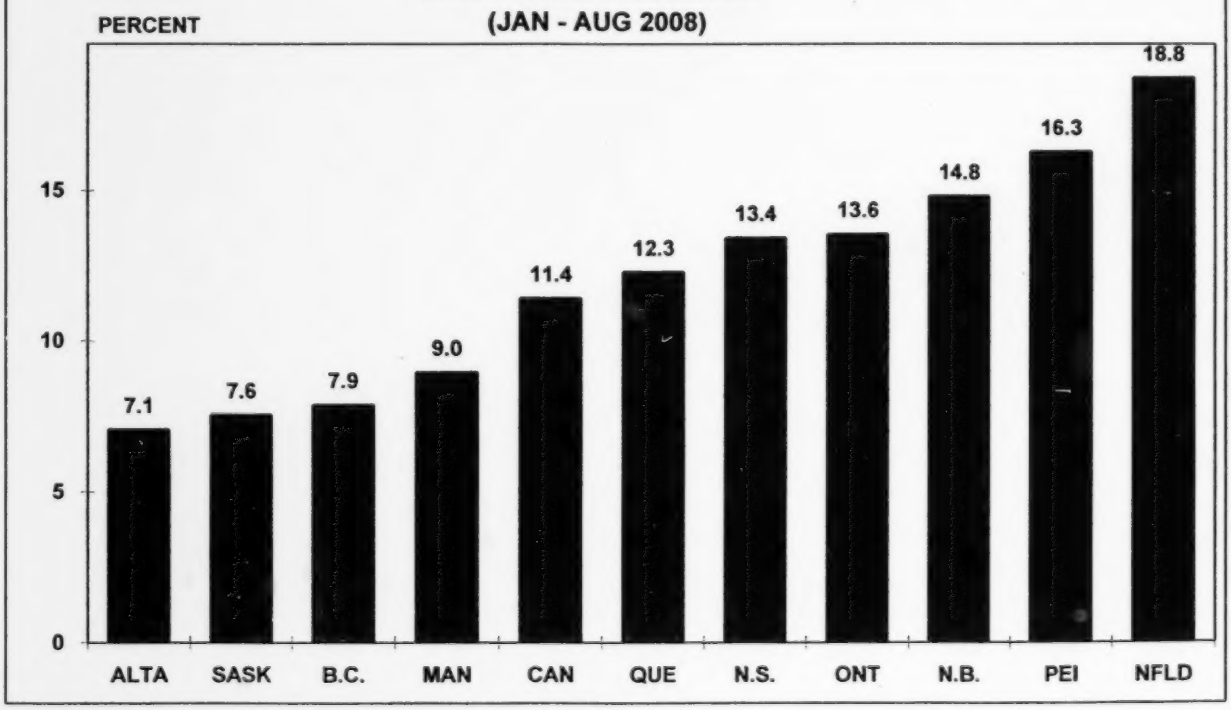

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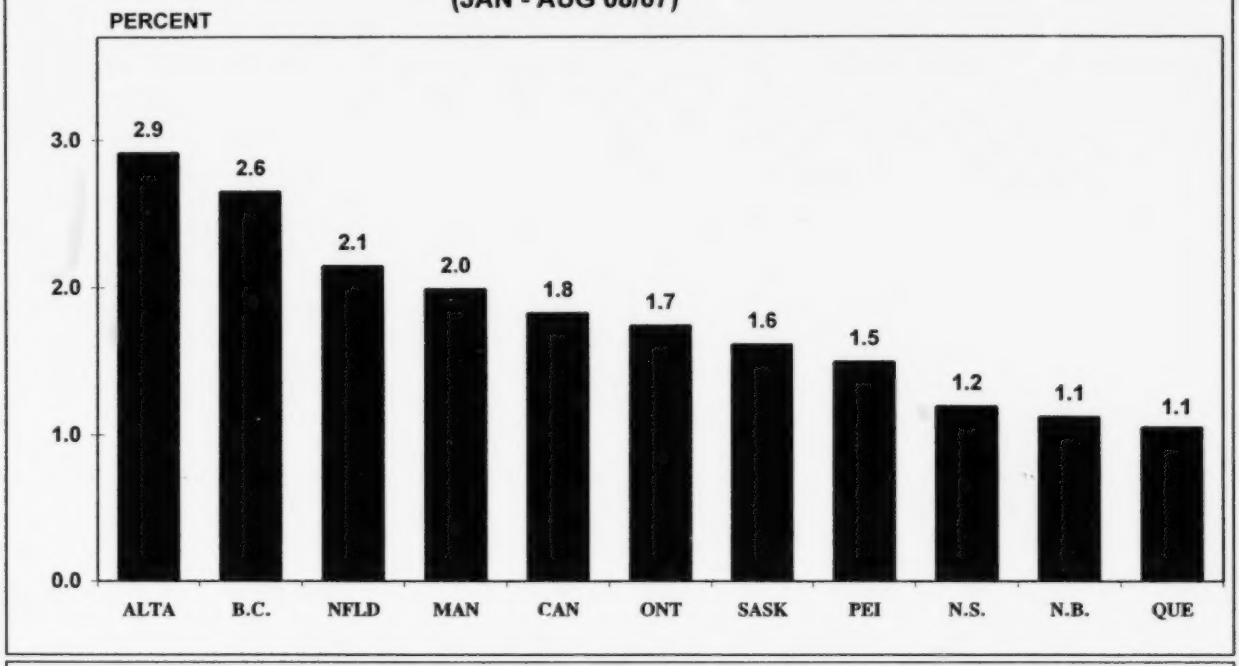

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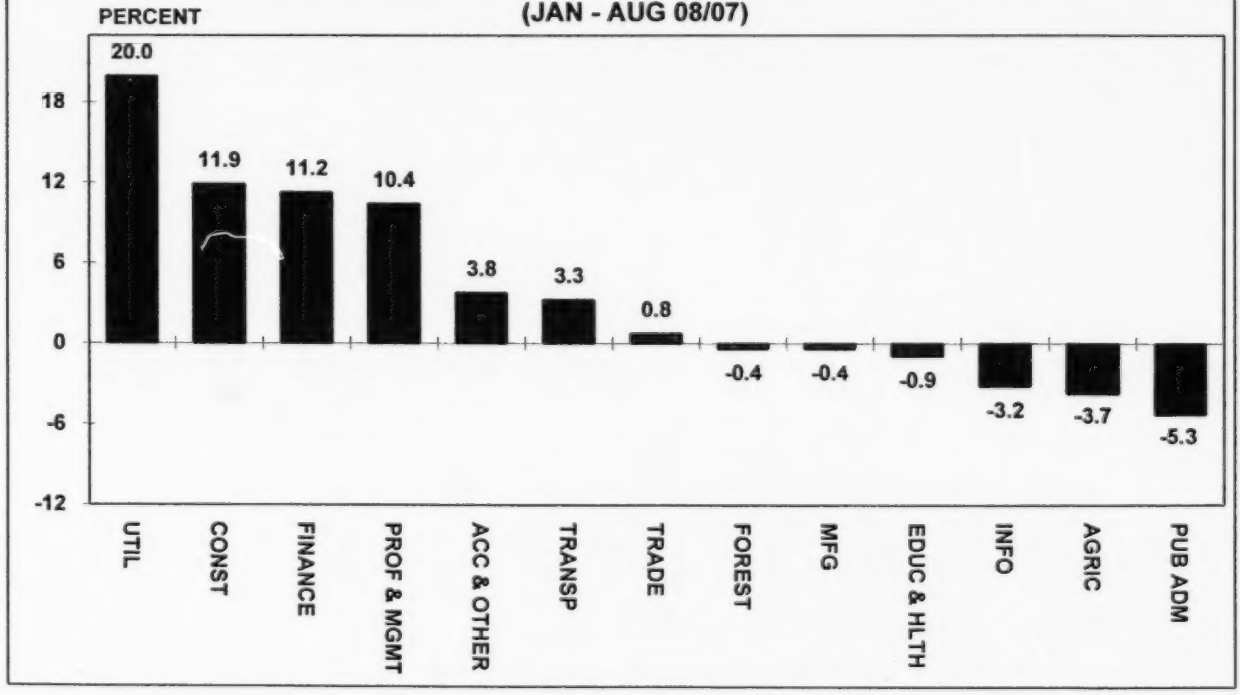

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TABLE 1: PRINCIPAL LABOUR FORCE INDICATORS, MANITOBA AND CANADA

	MANITOBA			CANADA		
	AUG 08	JUL 08	AUG 07	AUG 08	JUL 08	AUG 07
LABOUR FORCE						
seas. adj.	630,600	633,400	622,500	18,211,900	18,189,400	17,956,800
actual	643,000	642,600	634,600	18,602,600	18,588,100	18,342,900
EMPLOYMENT						
seas. adj.	606,000	609,600	596,600	17,099,400	17,084,200	16,875,200
part time	114,600	115,600	113,800	3,132,400	3,133,300	3,051,000
men	36,300	36,100	36,100	1,016,800	1,017,500	964,900
women	78,200	79,500	77,700	2,115,600	2,115,700	2,086,100
full time	491,400	494,000	482,700	13,967,000	13,950,900	13,824,200
men	288,600	290,900	281,600	8,003,700	7,970,500	7,919,200
women	202,800	203,100	201,100	5,963,300	5,980,400	5,904,900
actual	612,300	617,500	603,300	17,391,900	17,417,900	17,173,500
UNEMPLOYMENT						
seas. adj.	24,700	23,800	25,900	1,112,500	1,105,200	1,081,600
actual	30,700	25,000	31,300	1,210,700	1,170,100	1,169,300
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE						
seas. adj.	3.9	3.8	4.2	6.1	6.1	6.0
actual	4.8	3.9	4.9	6.5	6.3	6.4
PARTICIPATION RATE						
seas. adj.	69.2	69.6	69.2	67.5	67.5	67.5
actual	70.6	70.6	70.5	69.0	69.0	69.0

DATA SOURCE: STATISTICS CANADA

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TABLE 1 (CONTINUED): PRINCIPAL LABOUR FORCE INDICATORS, MANITOBA AND CANADA

	MANITOBA					CANADA				
	PERCENT CHANGE		YEAR-TO-DATE AVERAGES			PERCENT CHANGE		YEAR-TO-DATE AVERAGES		
	AUG 08/ JUL 08	AUG 08/ AUG 07	JAN-AUG 08	JAN-AUG 07	CHANGE 08/07	AUG 08/ JUL 08	AUG 08/ AUG 07	JAN-AUG 08	JAN-AUG 07	CHANGE 08/07
LABOUR FORCE										
seas. adj.	-0.4%	1.3%	631,300	622,200	1.5%	0.1%	1.4%	18,206,300	17,893,000	1.8%
actual	0.1%	1.3%	632,600	623,400	1.5%	0.1%	1.4%	18,245,300	17,931,900	1.7%
EMPLOYMENT										
seas. adj.	-0.6%	1.6%	605,900	594,100	2.0%	0.1%	1.3%	17,110,200	16,803,900	1.8%
part time	-0.9%	0.7%	114,200	116,100	-1.6%	0.0%	2.7%	3,120,300	3,051,200	2.3%
men	0.6%	0.6%	35,000	36,300	-3.4%	-0.1%	5.4%	995,300	975,300	2.0%
women	-1.6%	0.6%	79,100	79,800	-0.8%	0.0%	1.4%	2,125,000	2,075,900	2.4%
full time	-0.5%	1.8%	491,800	478,000	2.9%	0.1%	1.0%	13,989,800	13,752,700	1.7%
men	-0.8%	2.5%	289,100	280,700	3.0%	0.4%	1.1%	8,024,300	7,881,600	1.8%
women	-0.1%	0.8%	202,700	197,300	2.7%	-0.3%	1.0%	5,965,500	5,871,100	1.6%
actual	-0.8%	1.5%	606,100	594,300	2.0%	-0.1%	1.3%	17,110,100	16,805,000	1.8%
UNEMPLOYMENT										
seas. adj.	3.8%	-4.6%	25,400	28,100	-9.4%	0.7%	2.9%	1,096,200	1,089,100	0.7%
actual	22.8%	-1.9%	26,500	29,100	-8.9%	3.5%	3.5%	1,135,200	1,126,900	0.7%
seas. adj.	0.1pts	-0.3pts	4.0	4.5	-0.5 pts	0.0pts	0.1pts	6.0	6.1	-0.1pts
actual	0.9pts	-0.1pts	4.2	4.7	-0.5 pts	0.2pts	0.1pts	6.2	6.3	-0.1pts
PARTICIPATION RATE										
seas. adj.	-0.4pts	0.0pts	69.6	69.4	0.2 pts	0.0pts	0.0pts	67.8	67.6	0.3pts
actual	0.0pts	0.1pts	69.7	69.5	0.2 pts	0.0pts	0.0pts	68.0	67.7	0.3pts

DATA SOURCE: STATISTICS CANADA

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NOTE: Year-to-date averages are rounded to the nearest hundred, whereas year-to-date percent change calculations are based on the unrounded averages.

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TABLE 2: UNEMPLOYMENT RATES, CANADA AND PROVINCES

	SEASONALLY ADJUSTED			SEASONALLY ADJUSTED YEAR-TO-DATE AVERAGES	
	AUG 08	JUL 08	AUG 07	JAN-AUG 08	JAN-AUG 07
MANITOBA	3.9	3.8	4.2	4.0	4.5
CANADA	6.1	6.1	6.0	6.0	.6.1
NFLD.	13.8	13.3	13.7	13.0	13.7
P.E.I.	10.4	10.6	10.4	10.4	10.3
N.S.	8.0	6.7	8.9	7.7	8.2
N.B.	8.4	8.8	7.8	8.6	7.5
QUEBEC	7.7	7.4	7.2	7.3	7.3
ONTARIO	6.3	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.5
SASK.	4.5	4.4	4.8	4.2	4.3
ALBERTA	3.5	3.6	3.6	3.4	3.5
B.C.	4.3	4.4	4.0	4.3	4.2
* MANITOBA RANK	2	2	3	2	4

DATA SOURCE: STATISTICS CANADA

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* Ranking is in ascending order from the lowest unemployment rate to the highest

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TABLE 3: UNEMPLOYMENT RATES BY AGE AND SEX: SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

	MANITOBA					CANADA				
			YEAR-TO-DATE AVERAGES					YEAR-TO-DATE AVERAGES		
	AUG 08	JUL 08	AUG 07	JAN-AUG 08	JAN-AUG 07	AUG 08	JUL 08	AUG 07	JAN-AUG 08	JAN-AUG 07
BOTH SEXES	3.9	3.8	4.2	4.0	4.5	6.1	6.1	6.0	6.0	6.1
15-24	8.1	8.1	8.4	9.0	8.9	11.0	11.0	10.9	11.4	11.1
25+	3.0	2.8	3.2	2.9	3.5	5.2	5.1	5.1	5.0	5.1
MEN	3.6	3.8	4.2	4.1	4.7	6.4	6.5	6.3	6.4	6.4
15-24	9.2	10.5	8.9	10.9	9.8	12.4	12.5	11.8	12.9	12.2
25+	2.5	2.3	3.2	2.7	3.6	5.3	5.4	5.2	5.2	5.4
WOMEN	4.2	3.7	4.2	3.9	4.2	5.7	5.6	5.8	5.6	5.7
15-24	7.0	5.4	7.9	6.9	7.9	9.4	9.5	9.8	9.8	10.0
25+	3.6	3.4	3.3	3.2	3.4	5.0	4.8	4.9	4.7	4.9

DATA SOURCE: STATISTICS CANADA

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TABLE 4: YOUTH UNEMPLOYMENT RATES, CANADA AND PROVINCES
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED - 15 TO 24 YEARS OF AGE

				YEAR-TO-DATE AVERAGES	
	AUG 08	JUL 08	AUG 07	JAN-AUG 08	JAN-AUG 07
MANITOBA	8.1	8.1	8.4	9.0	8.9
CANADA	11.0	11.0	10.9	11.4	11.1
NFLD.	16.9	21.1	21.2	18.8	20.3
P.E.I.	15.4	15.6	15.9	16.3	13.2
N.S.	13.8	10.5	14.9	13.4	13.4
N.B.	11.5	17.0	11.4	14.8	11.5
QUEBEC	11.1	11.3	12.0	12.3	12.4
ONTARIO	13.2	13.0	13.0	13.6	13.0
SASK.	8.3	8.9	7.7	7.6	7.7
ALBERTA	7.3	7.3	6.6	7.1	7.5
B.C.	8.2	7.8	6.3	7.9	7.4
*** MANITOBA RANK**	**2**	**3**	**4**	**4**	**4**

DATA SOURCE: STATISTICS CANADA

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TABLE 5: SELECTED CITY UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

	ACTUAL MONTHLY		YEAR-TO-DATE AVERAGES MONTHLY		THREE MONTH MOVING AVERAGES ACTUAL		SEASONALLY ADJUSTED	
	AUG 08	AUG 07	JAN-AUG 08	JAN-AUG 07	AUG 08	AUG 07	AUG 08	AUG 07
WINNIPEG	5.1	4.8	4.3	4.8	4.4	4.4	4.2	4.2
VANCOUVER	4.5	4.3	4.2	4.1	4.5	4.2	4.1	3.8
EDMONTON	3.2	4.2	3.7	3.8	3.6	4.1	3.4	3.9
CALGARY	4.6	3.7	3.3	3.4	3.6	3.2	3.6	3.2
REGINA	5.4	6.2	4.2	5.2	4.2	6.2	3.9	6.0
SASKATOON	5.2	5.7	4.1	4.4	4.6	4.8	4.3	4.6
TORONTO	7.6	7.6	6.9	7.1	7.7	7.7	7.0	7.0
OTTAWA	6.0	5.9	5.1	5.6	5.4	5.7	5.1	5.4
MONTREAL	7.6	7.7	7.5	7.1	7.3	6.9	7.4	7.0
HALIFAX	5.9	6.2	5.5	5.7	5.8	6.2	5.6	6.2
ST. JOHN'S	8.2	6.9	8.5	7.3	7.8	6.6	7.6	6.3
*** WINNIPEG RANK (OUT OF 11 CITIES)**	**4**	**4**	**6**	**5**	**4**	**4**	**5**	**4**

DATA SOURCE: STATISTICS CANADA

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*** Ranking is in ascending order from the lowest unemployment rate to the highest**

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TABLE 6: TOTAL EMPLOYMENT, CANADA AND PROVINCES

	SEASONALLY ADJUSTED			SEASONALLY ADJUSTED YEAR-TO-DATE AVERAGES		
	AUG 08	JUL 08	AUG 07	JAN-AUG 08	JAN-AUG 07	CHANGE
MANITOBA	606,000	609,600	596,600	605,900	594,100	2.0%
CANADA	17,099,400	17,084,200	16,875,200	17,110,200	16,803,900	1.8%
NFLD.	219,300	219,300	217,000	221,600	217,000	2.1%
P.E.I.	70,400	69,800	69,000	70,500	69,500	1.5%
N.S.	451,900	455,600	442,800	451,900	446,500	1.2%
N.B.	366,500	364,900	363,300	365,500	361,400	1.1%
QUEBEC	3,859,100	3,855,300	3,860,300	3,878,200	3,837,800	1.1%
ONTARIO	6,682,800	6,668,800	6,594,300	6,684,200	6,569,800	1.7%
SASK.	511,500	505,400	496,700	508,600	500,500	1.6%
ALBERTA	2,006,700	2,010,900	1,968,000	2,006,300	1,949,600	2.9%
B.C.	2,325,100	2,324,600	2,267,100	2,317,400	2,257,700	2.6%

DATA SOURCE: STATISTICS CANADA

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TABLE 6A. FULL-TIME EMPLOYMENT, CANADA AND PROVINCES

	SEASONALLY ADJUSTED			SEASONALLY ADJUSTED YEAR-TO-DATE AVERAGES		
	AUG 08	JUL 08	AUG 07	JAN-AUG 08	JAN-AUG 07	CHANGE
MANITOBA	491,400	494,000	482,700	491,800	478,000	2.9%
CANADA	13,967,000	13,950,900	13,824,200	13,989,800	13,752,700	1.7%
NFLD.	191,200	191,400	189,000	189,800	185,800	2.2%
P.E.I.	60,000	58,800	57,500	59,300	57,600	3.0%
N.S.	375,600	372,700	359,000	368,900	364,900	1.1%
N.B.	307,900	307,300	306,200	309,300	303,700	1.8%
QUEBEC	3,144,500	3,150,800	3,143,400	3,163,000	3,131,300	1.0%
ONTARIO	5,433,500	5,394,900	5,401,900	5,451,900	5,384,500	1.3%
SASK.	419,300	418,500	407,500	417,800	405,600	3.0%
ALBERTA	1,689,000	1,688,300	1,660,700	1,687,100	1,641,500	2.8%
B.C.	1,854,600	1,874,200	1,816,400	1,850,800	1,799,900	2.8%

DATA SOURCE: STATISTICS CANADA

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TABLE 6B. PART-TIME EMPLOYMENT, CANADA AND PROVINCES

	SEASONALLY ADJUSTED			SEASONALLY ADJUSTED YEAR-TO-DATE AVERAGES		
	AUG 08	JUL 08	AUG 07	JAN-AUG 08	JAN-AUG 07	CHANGE
MANITOBA	114,600	115,600	113,800	114,200	116,100	-1.6%
CANADA	3,132,400	3,133,300	3,051,000	3,120,300	3,051,200	2.3%
NFLD.	28,100	27,900	28,100	31,900	31,200	2.0%
P.E.I.	10,400	11,000	11,500	11,200	11,900	-5.5%
N.S.	76,400	82,900	83,800	83,000	81,600	1.6%
N.B.	58,600	57,600	57,100	56,200	57,700	-2.6%
QUEBEC	714,600	704,500	716,900	715,300	706,500	1.3%
ONTARIO	1,249,300	1,273,900	1,192,500	1,232,200	1,185,400	4.0%
SASK.	92,200	86,900	89,300	90,800	94,900	-4.3%
ALBERTA	317,700	322,600	307,300	319,300	308,100	3.6%
B.C.	470,500	450,300	450,700	466,600	457,800	1.9%

DATA SOURCE: STATISTICS CANADA

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TABLE 6C. PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT, CANADA AND PROVINCES

	SEASONALLY ADJUSTED			SEASONALLY ADJUSTED YEAR-TO-DATE AVERAGES		
	AUG 08	JUL 08	AUG 07	JAN-AUG 08	JAN-AUG 07	CHANGE
MANITOBA	449,600	450,400	444,900	452,000	442,500	2.1%
CANADA	13,685,200	13,646,100	13,588,400	13,696,100	13,568,700	0.9%
NFLD.	153,900	152,900	156,800	157,700	157,300	0.2%
P.E.I.	50,000	49,400	51,400	50,900	51,800	-1.6%
N.S.	348,000	349,600	340,400	344,300	340,800	1.0%
N.B.	277,800	272,800	276,100	276,500	276,200	0.1%
QUEBEC	3,062,000	3,062,500	3,057,100	3,077,700	3,048,900	0.9%
ONTARIO	5,388,800	5,372,300	5,397,400	5,402,400	5,397,300	0.1%
SASK.	385,100	380,200	374,000	383,100	377,900	1.4%
ALBERTA	1,667,500	1,664,800	1,619,100	1,658,300	1,617,500	2.5%
B.C.	1,903,600	1,892,400	1,871,700	1,893,200	1,858,500	1.9%

DATA SOURCE: STATISTICS CANADA

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TABLE 6D. PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT, CANADA AND PROVINCES

	SEASONALLY ADJUSTED			SEASONALLY ADJUSTED YEAR-TO-DATE AVERAGES		
	AUG 08	JUL 08	AUG 07	JAN-AUG 08	JAN-AUG 07	CHANGE
MANITOBA	156,400	159,200	151,700	153,900	151,600	1.5%
CANADA	3,414,200	3,438,100	3,286,800	3,414,100	3,235,200	5.5%
NFLD.	65,400	66,400	60,200	63,900	59,700	7.1%
P.E.I.	20,400	20,400	17,600	19,600	17,700	10.7%
N.S.	103,900	106,000	102,400	107,500	105,800	1.7%
N.B.	88,700	92,100	87,200	89,000	85,200	4.4%
QUEBEC	797,100	792,800	803,200	800,500	788,900	1.5%
ONTARIO	1,294,000	1,296,500	1,196,900	1,281,700	1,172,500	9.3%
SASK.	126,400	125,200	122,700	125,500	122,600	2.3%
ALBERTA	339,200	346,100	348,900	348,000	332,000	4.8%
B.C.	421,500	432,200	395,400	424,300	399,200	6.3%

DATA SOURCE: STATISTICS CANADA

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NOTE: Year-to-date averages are rounded to the nearest hundred, whereas year-to-year percent change calculations are based on the unrounded averages.

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TABLE 6E. MANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT, CANADA AND PROVINCES

	SEASONALLY ADJUSTED			SEASONALLY ADJUSTED YEAR-TO-DATE AVERAGES		
	AUG 08	JUL 08	AUG 07	JAN-AUG 08	JAN-AUG 07	CHANGE
MANITOBA	66,500	67,300	67,500	69,800	70,100	-0.4%
CANADA	1,968,500	1,954,700	2,035,800	1,974,000	2,061,300	-4.2%
NFLD.	13,900	14,400	17,000	15,100	15,900	-5.1%
P.E.I.	6,300	6,300	6,600	6,300	6,800	-7.4%
N.S.	39,000	38,900	40,500	39,300	40,800	-3.8%
N.B.	37,000	34,600	36,100	35,000	38,400	-8.8%
QUEBEC	543,800	550,500	544,900	539,200	548,300	-1.6%
ONTARIO	894,500	880,100	949,500	909,100	957,400	-5.0%
SASK.	29,700	29,500	31,700	30,800	30,500	1.0%
ALBERTA	150,300	142,700	141,400	139,200	145,300	-4.2%
B.C.	187,100	191,000	201,300	188,300	207,200	-9.1%

DATA SOURCE: STATISTICS CANADA

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TABLE 7: MANITOBA EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY: SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

				YEAR-TO-DATE-AVERAGES			
	AUG 08	JUL 08	AUG 07	JAN-AUG 08	JAN-AUG 07	PERCENT CHANGE	CANADA PERCENT CHANGE
AGRICULTURE	29,000	29,300	28,400	28,200	29,300	-3.7%	-1.2%
FORESTRY, FISHING & MINING	6,100	6,600	6,200	6,400	6,400	-0.4%	-0.6%
UTILITIES	7,600	7,300	5,900	6,500	5,400	20.0%	12.6%
CONSTRUCTION	37,800	39,800	35,300	36,500	32,700	11.9%	8.6%
MANUFACTURING	66,500	67,300	67,500	69,800	70,100	-0.4%	-4.2%
TRADE	91,100	89,200	91,300	91,300	90,600	0.8%	0.3%
TRANSPORTATION SERVICES	34,900	35,000	34,000	35,200	34,100	3.3%	4.3%
FINANCE, INSURANCE, REAL ESTATE & LEASING	34,700	35,800	35,500	37,300	33,600	11.2%	1.7%
PROFESSIONAL & ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	42,400	43,500	43,100	45,100	40,900	10.4%	3.8%
EDUCATION & HEALTH SERVICES	133,600	132,300	126,200	126,700	127,900	-0.9%	2.2%
INFORMATION, CULTURE & RECREATION	21,300	21,700	23,900	23,000	23,700	-3.2%	-1.7%
ACCOMMODATION & OTHER SERVICES	66,500	66,100	60,700	64,400	62,000	3.8%	1.6%
PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION	34,500	35,700	38,500	35,500	37,500	-5.3%	8.7%
TOTAL: ALL INDUSTRIES	606,000	609,600	596,600	605,900	594,100	2.0%	1.8%
TOTAL: GOODS PRODUCING	146,900	150,300	143,300	147,400	143,900	2.5%	0.5%
TOTAL: SERVICE PRODUCING	459,000	459,300	453,300	458,500	450,300	1.8%	2.2%

DATA SOURCE: STATISTICS CANADA

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